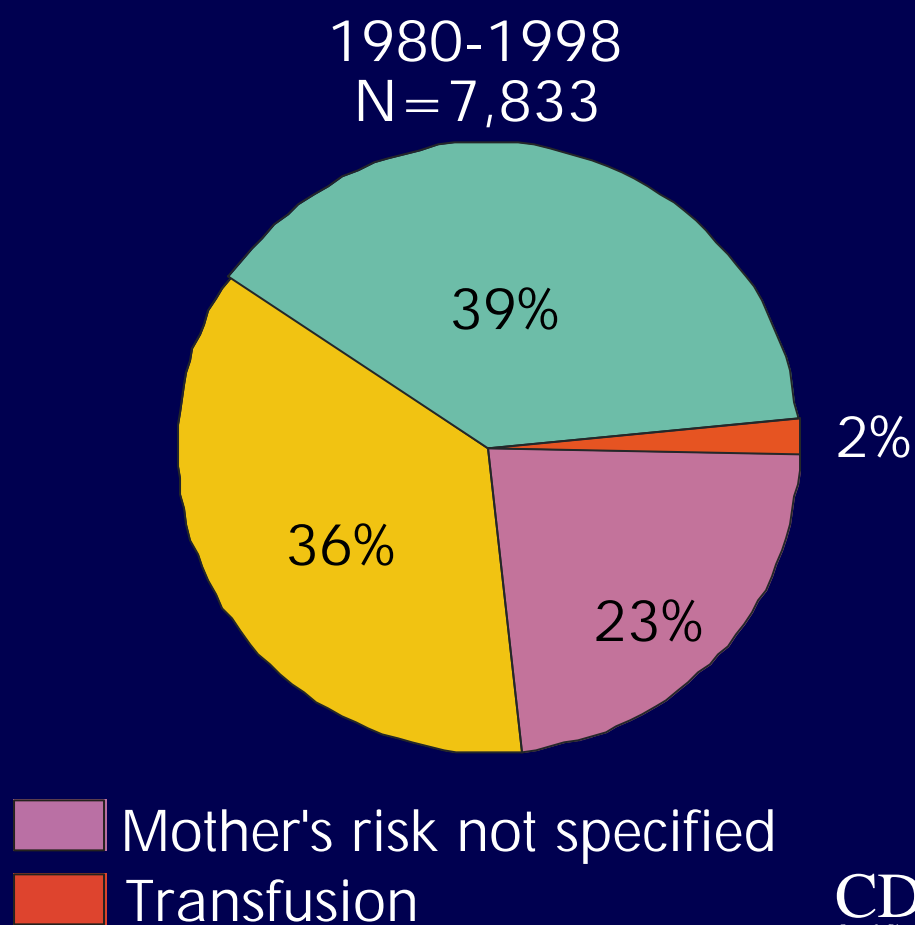
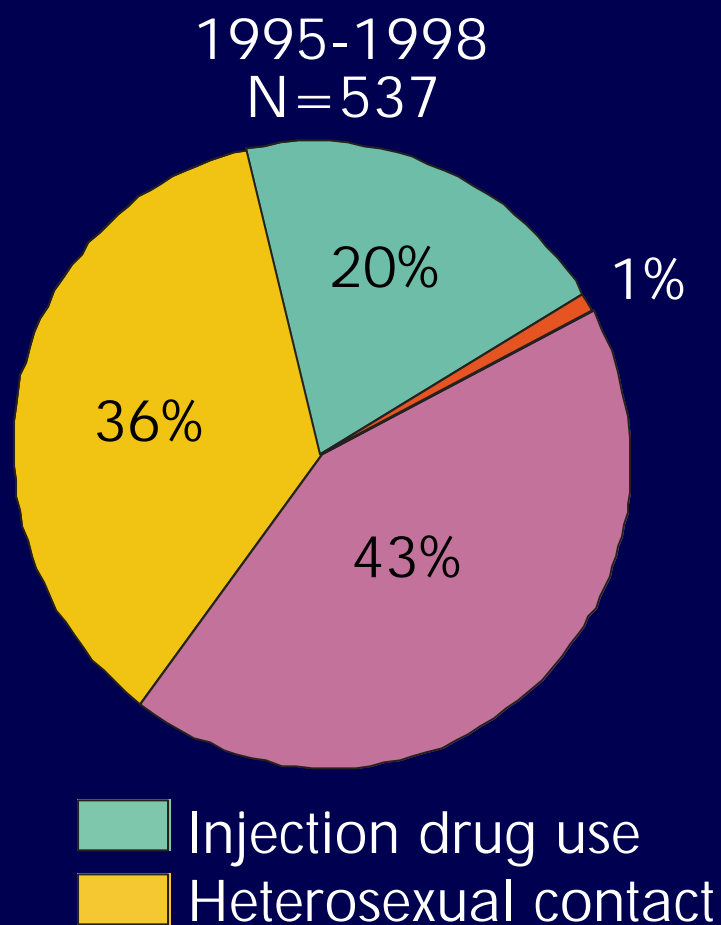


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Since the beginning of the epidemic, the proportional distribution of risk exposures for HIV infection among the mothers of children with perinatally acquired AIDS has changed. In recent years, HIV infection was attributed to injection drug use (IDU) by 20% of the mothers, and 43% of the women did not specify their risk. In the past, a larger proportion of women attributed their infection to IDU and fewer had an unspecified risk. It is likely that some proportion of the women without a specified risk were exposed through heterosexual contact.